

Smith Spiking Hearst - Hylan Guns for 1924

Mayor and Publisher's Fight Against Presidential Chances Held Futile by Governor-Elect's Friends

Expect Tammany's Aid
Declare They Have Captured Wall St. Element Which Has Favored McAdoo

By Charles T. White
The political associates of Governor-elect Alfred E. Smith, who, as already said in The Tribune, are quietly working to bring about his nomination for President in 1924 on the Democratic ticket, have been "lashed to the mast" from a political point of view.

former Secretary of the Treasury, and an aspirant for Presidential honors in 1924, ever had in New York. Back of these two considerations is a still more important one, the solid support of Tammany Hall, which no longer stands in dread of what Hearst and Hylan may do.

The Smith men expect a battle with Hearst before 1924, but they say that Hearst lost his golden opportunity when he surrendered to the Smith men at the Syracuse convention in September, and that so good an opportunity will never come again.

"To Stop Their Hurling"
The program of the Smith men is to give Hearst and Hylan enough in the way of words and works to "stop their hurling," but not enough to hurt anything, and not enough to enable either of them to crow over what they had been enabled to obtain from the Governor for the people. The new Governor is going to see that all such grand stand stuff goes to the credit of the Oliver Street statesman.

Mayor Hylan's Chicago declaration in favor of Hearst or Hiram W. Johnson for President, even if it takes a third party to bring about the nomination, is interpreted as a boost rather than a knock for Al, since it tightens his grip on the Democratic rank and file in the Empire State.

If the Smith men have accurately gauged the situation, both Hearst and Hylan are impotent to do Smith harm, although they are thoroughly chagrined at his triumph. Smith has taken away Hylan's vote-record crown, for while the Mayor for the last year has been able to shake the rafters by calling attention to his 417,000 plurality

Smith laughs it off stage with "I want him nearly 100,000 better."

Looked Up Connections
The Hearst men spent money and time in looking up Smith's Wall Street corporation connections, and after they got it ready to explode, Hearst didn't dare use it.

"It is doubtless true," wrote Mr. Hearst, following the Syracuse convention, "that Mr. Smith is a conservative, and represents to some extent the same interests as Mr. Miller, while our publications are distinctly progressive."

In order to strike the guns of Hearst and Hylan the Governor-elect stands on the Democratic state platform, which calls for a referendum on beer and light wines, for municipal ownership of public utilities and for state ownership and operation of water power. This is not all that Hearst declares for, but it steals part of the Hearst thunder.

Smith controls the Senate and that means that anything that Hearst, Hylan and company desire in the shape of bills will be granted by grace of the chap that sits in the Executive Chamber.

Tammany Emancipated
The net result of the election is that Tammany is emancipated for the time being at least from domination by Hearst and Hylan.

The Hearst people profess to have obtained fairly good proof that a messenger from the hated "interests" bargained with Smith and induced him to enter the Governorship race against Hearst, and that Smith from this time forward will have the backing of Wall Street for the Presidency. The supporters of the Governor-elect virtually admit this impeachment, but as there is no documentary proof it cannot be used to sidetrack the Smith Presidential boom. When possible insurgency on the part of the Mayor is suggested these days the Smith men say: "There is no longer any wild man at the City Hall. He may talk wild, but he's got a new boss and he knows it."

Hearst-Hylan-Thompson Combine Loses Ground
Labor Says No Third Party Is Needed, While Farmers Fight Shy of Publisher's Label
Special Dispatch to The Tribune
CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—The proposed Hearst-Hylan-Thompson political triumvirate, which is said to have for its object the landing of William Randolph Hearst in the Presidential chair in 1924 and by the same left turn of the political wrist sending Hylan to the United States Senate from New York and Mayor Thompson as Senator from Illinois, is not to have smooth sailing.

The chief strength of the proposed movement was to be gained from the labor unions, the Socialists and the army of disaffected everywhere, together with the political machines of New York and Chicago.

Inquiry to-day at different labor headquarters and Socialist camps in Chicago developed decided coldness to any proposed third party. Leaders of the farm organizations are not inclined to go into anything bearing the Hearst label and say there is no chance of hooking them up with the proposed third party. The same situation is found among the radicals headed by La Follette. It is said La Follette will work entirely within the Republican party lines.

The progressive conference for political action is scheduled to hold a convention December 11 and an effort is being made to bring in all radical groups, including the laborites, Socialists, I. W. W., Nonpartisan League, the La Follette crowd, etc., but it is predicted the meeting will wind up in a great row and hullabaloo. Labor believes it can do better with the old parties and the Socialists also oppose fusing with any other party.

Lodge's Rival Spent \$4,000
Dry Candidate for Senator in Bay State Is Out \$10
WILLIAM A. GASTON, Democrat, defeated by United States Senate in the election of November 7, in his return of campaign expenses under the corrupt practices act, swore that his only expenses were two gifts to the Democratic State Committee amounting to \$4,000, it became known today.

Governor Cox spent \$1,000 in seeking re-election, his statement showed. All except an item of \$100 for automobile hire went in gifts to Republican organizations.

John A. Nicholls, Prohibition candidate for United States Senator, placed his expenditure at \$10, made up of "car fares and incidental personal expenses."

Joseph C. Pelletier, defeated Democratic candidate for District Attorney of Suffolk County, gave his campaign disbursements as \$646. Printing took \$200 of this total, the return said, and the remainder was for automobiles.

Smith Goes South to Rest
And Frame Albany Message
Governor-elect Alfred E. Smith departed for the South on a ten-day vacation yesterday afternoon. He will be the guest of William H. Todd, the Staten Island shipbuilder, during his stay in the South. John Gilchrist, Commissioner of Licenses, is the third member of the party. It is understood that while the Governor-elect is away he will consider features of his message to the Legislature.

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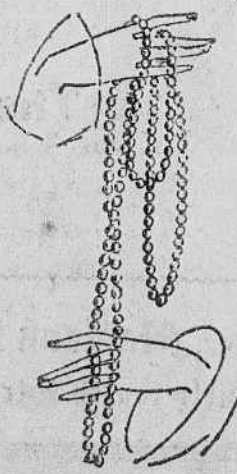
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